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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief of Foreign Intelligence

2 December 1953

SUBJECT: Project CARRERA

1. PURPOSE: To establish a Berlin office, using for cover purposes the name of a WE-subsidized organization of post-war exiles from the USSR, and to install a WEPCAL agent in the office. This agent will interview visitors who, having received propaganda from the exile organization (WEPCAL), come to the Berlin office to supply information, WEPCAL leads, or to aid the anti-communist cause. The agent will arrange for contact between likely leads and WEPCAL operational personnel of Berlin Operations Base.
2. PERSONNEL AND COVER: The case officer will be [redacted], a CIA contract agent since 1951. [redacted] is a Russian Department of the Army civilian cover socially in Berlin, but being Russian born can pass and has passed as a representative of the exile organization. He will use this latter cover when necessary. The WEPCAL agent who is to be in the WEPCAL office in Berlin is [redacted], a 41-year old Russian born German citizen who has been residing in Berlin as a political refugee since 1951. He has no previous intelligence experience but is cautious, security conscious, and an excellent listener. [redacted] knows [redacted] as an employee of an unspecified intelligence service.
3. CONTACT, CONTROL, MOTIVATION: [redacted] and [redacted] will make contact by telephone between their respective offices. They will meet in safehouses. [redacted] is dependent upon CIA for similar living requirements, and has signed receipts. He is motivated by anti-communism.
4. BACKGROUND: The Berlin office of WEPCAL was set up on a developmental basis in May 1953, and has already proved extremely useful in furthering the FRODO program. It is anticipated that eventually WEPCAL will send a representative to Berlin who will begin WEPCAL operations from the office. [redacted] will take CARRERA only one facet of the WEPCAL office in Berlin, and will further backstop the cover for CARRERA. [redacted] will pay the office expenses only until the establishment is actually used for WEPCAL purposes.
5. APPROPRIATE REVIEW AND COSTS: Approval is requested for the period 1 October 1953 through 30 September 1954, for \$1,560. This figure is broken down as follows: compensation, \$900; operational expenses and equipment, \$660.
6. VI STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS: STC/1, STC/2, P/1, and VI/1 and/or all concur without comment.

Approved: [redacted]

Chief, FI

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Date

ATTACHED: Project CARRERA

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cc: [redacted], STC/1, STC/2, P/1, and VI/1 for Vital Records

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